

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for the careful consideration given the present application and for granting an interview with applicants' attorney. The application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action, and amended as necessary to more clearly and particularly describe the subject matter that Applicants regards as the invention.

Claims 1, 3-5, 7 and 8 have been amended.

An applicant-initiated telephonic interview was conducted on July 24, 2007. Claims 1 and 5 were discussed, along with the cited Jochheim and Maldonado references. The present amendments were also discussed. The Examiner indicated that the present amendments appeared to distinguish the claims over the cited references. However, further prior art searching would be necessary.

Claims 1-9 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Jochheim in view of Maldonado. Claim 1 recites, "a printed circuit board having a plurality of electronic components mounted thereon and having a front surface and a rear surface...an internal antenna disposed on the rear surface of the printed circuit board" Maldonado is cited for teaching an internal antenna disposed on a rear surface of a printed board. However, Maldonado does not teach an internal antenna disposed on a rear surface of a printed *circuit board having a plurality of electronic components mounted thereon*. Maldonado's board is merely a ground plane and lacks a plurality of electronic components. Applicants submit that combination of Jochheim and Maldonado fails to teach or suggest all of the claimed limitations. Accordingly, claim 1 is allowable over the cited combination.

Furthermore, there is no suggestion or motivation for one skilled in the art at the time the invention was made to combine Maldonado with Jochheim to arrive at the claimed invention as asserted by the Examiner in the outstanding Office action. Jochheim discloses a radiotelephone device 1. Maldonado discloses a radiotelephone device 200 attached to an antenna coupler device 100. One skilled in the art would simply insert the Jochheim radiotelephone device into the Maldonado antenna coupler device 100. There is no suggestion or motivation to modify the Jochheim radiotelephone device with any of the Maldonado antenna coupler device elements.

Therefore, for the reasons discussed above, claim 1 is allowable over the cited combination of references. Claims 2, 3, 4 and 9 depend from claims 1 and, therefore, are also allowable over the cited combination of references. The arguments provided above are also

applicable to claim 5 and dependent claims 6-8. Accordingly, claims 5-8 are allowable over Jochheim in view of Maldonado.

In light of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in a condition for allowance and notice to that effect is hereby requested. If it is determined that the application is not in a condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to initiate a telephone interview with the undersigned attorney to expedite prosecution of the present application.

If there are any additional fees resulting from this communication, please charge same to our Deposit Account No. 16-0820, our Order No. 32439.

Respectfully submitted,
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